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FOLLOWING REPEAT KHARTOUM 3787 ACTION SECSTATE INFO ADDIS ABABA  
DAR ES SALAAM DJIBOUTI MOGDISCIO NAIROBI ROME DATED AUG 16:

QTE: C O N F I D E N T I A L KHARTOUM 3787

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: EAID, SU, FAO, SO, ET  
SUBJ: CONTROL OF DESERT LOCUST

REF: STATE 200577

1. STRONG U.S. CONCERN ABOUT HUMAN AND ECONOMIC IMPACT OF  
MAJOR LOCUST OUTBREAK WAS CONVEYED TO DIRECTOR, AFRICAN  
AFFAIRS AT MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AS INSTRUCTED REFTEL.  
DIRECTOR OMAR YOUSIF BARIDU SAID SUDANGOV SHARES CONCERN AND  
IS AWARE THAT LACK OF SECURITY IN BREEDING AREAS IS MAJOR  
REASON FOR THIS YEAR'S SERIOUS THREAT FROM SWARMS OF DESERT  
LOCUST. BARIDU SAID MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE HAS LOCUST  
CONTROL AGENCY WHICH OPERATES INSIDE SUDAN AND IN ADDITION  
COOPERATES WITH EAST AFRICAN COUNTRIES ON TECHNICAL AND  
OPERATIONAL LEVEL. HE IS NOT AWARE OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR  
FOREIGN COOPERATION BUT AGREED TO FIND OUT WHETHER PROBLEMS  
HAVE BEEN ENCOUNTERED WHICH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
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COULD HELP RESOLVE.

2. BARIDU ALSO ACCEPTED SUGGESTION THAT TRUCE BE DISCUS-  
SED WITH ERITREANS AND COMALIA TO PERMIT LOCUST CONTROL  
MEASURES TO BE TAKEN WITH SAFETY. HE SAID HE WOULD SEND  
SUGGESTION TO PRESIDENCY AND WOULD MEANWHILE RAISE POSSIBILITY  
WITH NORMAL DIPLOMATIC CONTACTS. BARIDU THOUGHT THAT

DISCUSSIONS WITH ERITREAN GROUPS WOULD BE "STILL DESIRABLE"  
ALTHOUGH ETHIOPIANS HAVE RECENTLY REDUCED AMOUNT OF TERRITORY  
THEY CONTROL.

3. WILLINGNESS OF USG TO CONSIDER ASSISTANCE FOR LOCUST  
CONTROL MEASURES WAS WELCOMED BY BARIDU WHO WILL CHECK WITH  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE. HE DID NOT BELIEVE NEED EXISTED  
SINCE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAD NOT BEEN INFORMED OF  
ANY.

4. COMMENT: IN ADDITION TO ABOVE, I HAVE PASSED OUR VIEWS  
BY LETTER TO NIMEIRI. INTEND RAISE SUBJECT WITH DR. BAHU EL-  
DIN IDRIS, MINISTER PRESIDENCY AFFAIRS. HE HAS BEEN OUT OF  
TOWN AND I HAVE REQUEST IN TO SEE HIM ON OTHER MATTERS  
INCLUDING NIMEIRI VISIT TO U.S.

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